

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q76328

Hisashi OHTSUKI, et al.

Division of Appln. No.: 09/709,390,
Filed: November 13, 2000

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Group Art Unit: 3676

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Examiner: Not Yet Known

For: WHEEL BEARING AND SEALING DEVICE THEREFOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a divisional of Application No. 09/709,390 filed November 13, 2000; the
disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 15-33, 35-37, 39-41, and 43-45 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims: